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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
06CARACAS265	2006-02-02 17:57	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Caracas

Appears in these articles:

<http://www.mecclatchydc.com/2011/07/09/117323/wikileaks-cable-says-peace-groups.html>

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     B. CARACAS 00260
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Classified By: Robert Downes, Political Counselor,
for Reason 1.4(b).

Summary

1. (C) President Hugo Chavez probably fell short of dazzling anti-globalist activists during the January 24-29 World Social Forum (WSF) in Car
2. (C) Venezuela hosted the Sixth World Social Forum (WSF) in Caracas January 24-29 as a counterpoint to the World Economic Forum in Davos, Sw

Did Chavez Steal the Show?

3. (U) This is the first year the WSF did not meet at its traditional site in Porto Alegre, Brazil. The decision at last year's WSF to hold a
4. (C) There were allegations in the private media here that the Bolivarians were dominating the agenda to the annoyance of attendees. Certain
5. (C) We also note that Chavez did not deliver a closing address on January 29 nor was the closing ceremony the premiere event, as has been t

Gringo Bashing Always Sells, However

6. (C) Although conference organizers settled on the ambiguous slogan of "Another World is Possible" for this WSF, our conclusion is that "Stc
7. (C) The 800-plus official Cuban delegation also hammered the anti-gringo nail. The Cubans held dozens of anti-U.S. events, with a special e

Critics, And An "Alternate Forum" Emerges

8. (U) The press reported that a few hundred activists attended an "Alternative Social Forum" organized by Venezuelans to support the anti-gl

Comment

9. (C) We noted intense interest in some events, such as a labor forum organized by well-established international labor groups. But much of t

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